GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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LOCAL CALLS
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the distance normally allowed for the telephone subscribers in rural areas for the purposes of local calls;

(b) whether norms for the telephone subscribers in urban areas differ from that of rural areas;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to remove the disparity?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The information is given at Annexure.

(b) No Sir.

(c) & (d): Not applicable in view of (b) above.

ANNEXURE

(a) Normally local calls (without STD code) is allowed :-

(i) Within SDCA

(ii) When two Short Distance Charging Areas (SDCAs) are adjacent

(iii) When the radial distance between the two Short distance Charging Centres (SDCCs) of two SDCAs falling in the same or adjacent long distance charging areas (LDCAs) in upto 50 Kms.

(iv) When the radial distance between two Long Distance Charging Centres (LDCCs) of two non-adjacent LDCAs is up to 50 Kms.

Local calls under category
(i) &
(ii) above, are allowed, irrespective of the distances involved.